

**SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION congratulating the Episcopal Church of All Saints, Indianapolis on its one hundred fiftieth anniversary.

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_____, read first time and referred to Committee on



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2 Church of All Saints, Indianapolis on its one hundred fiftieth
3 anniversary.

4 *Whereas, Grace Church, which was later to become All*
5 *Saints Church, was organized in November 1864, and is the*
6 *second oldest Episcopal parish in the city of Indianapolis;*

7 *Whereas, The Church served as the Cathedral Church for*
8 *the Episcopal Diocese of Indiana and the Diocese of*
9 *Indianapolis for approximately sixty years;*

10 *Whereas, All Saints is noted for its tradition of high*
11 *Anglo-Catholic liturgy and activism;*

12 *Whereas, All Saints embraced racial integration early in*
13 *the 1950s, when it placed a sign above its front doors*
14 *declaring "Everyone is Welcome";*

15 *Whereas, In 1977, All Saints became the site of the first*
16 *regular ordination of a woman to the priesthood in the*
17 *Episcopal Church;*

18 *Whereas, During the 1980s, All Saints opened the doors*
19 *of its sanctuary to the homeless, allowed guests to sleep in*
20 *the pews of the church, and permitted its parish hall to be*
21 *turned into the Dayspring Center for homeless families;*



1 *Whereas, In 1985, All Saints called an African-American*
 2 *woman to serve as the Rector in a time when there were no*
 3 *other African-American priests in the Diocese;*

4 *Whereas, During the 1990s, All Saints had a special*
 5 *ministry to those diagnosed with HIV and AIDS;*

6 *Whereas, All Saints remains an intentionally diverse*
 7 *congregation, and a vibrant part of the Old Northside*
 8 *Neighborhood of Indianapolis by engaging in issues of social*
 9 *justice, exploring the connection between theology and the*
 10 *arts, and always focusing on the Worship of God in ancient,*
 11 *solemn liturgy, coupled with a joyful focus on the promises*
 12 *of Christ; and*

13 *Whereas, The Episcopal Church of All Saints will*
 14 *observe its one hundred fiftieth anniversary on September 21,*
 15 *2014: Therefore,*

16 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly*
 17 *of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

18 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates
 19 the Episcopal Church of All Saints in Indianapolis on celebrating its
 20 one hundred fiftieth anniversary, and wishes its congregation continued
 21 success.

22 SECTION 2. That the Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed
 23 to transmit copies of the resolution to the Episcopal Church of All
 24 Saints.

